

# *Proclamation*

## **DECLARING MARCH 2024 WOMEN’S HISTORY MONTH**

**WHEREAS**, in 1987, the United States Congress named the month of March as “Women’s History Month” in special recognition of the many contributions women have made to our country’s history and heritage; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Westlake is proud to join in the celebration of Women’s History Month, and the 2024 theme, **Women Who Advocate for Equity, Diversity and Inclusion**, recognizing women throughout the country who understand that, for a positive future, we need to eliminate bias and discrimination entirely from our lives and institutions; and

**WHEREAS**, American women have played a unique role throughout the history of the Nation by providing the majority of the volunteer labor force of the Nation; and

**WHEREAS**, American women have been leaders, not only in securing their own rights of suffrage and equal opportunity, but also in the abolitionist movement, the emancipation movement, the industrial labor movement, the civil rights movement, and other movements, especially the peace movement, which create a more fair and just society for all; and

**WHEREAS**, despite these contributions, the role of American women in history has been consistently overlooked and undervalued, in the literature, teaching and study of American history.

**NOW, THEREFORE, ON BEHALF OF THE CITY COUNCIL AND THE PEOPLE OF THE CITY OF WESTLAKE, I, JOHNPAUL O’CONNOR, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF WESTLAKE, BY VIRTUE OF THE AUTHORITY VESTED IN ME, DO HEREBY OFFICIALLY PROCLAIM AND RECOGNIZE MARCH 2024:**

### **“WOMEN’S HISTORY MONTH”**

**BE IT FURTHER PROCLAIMED BY THE CITY OF WESTLAKE** that this proclamation is duly sealed, ribboned and approved by the members of this Council. The foregoing proclamation was sponsored by Vice Mayor Greg Langowski, and upon unanimous consent of the Council, the Mayor declared the proclamation duly enacted.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the City of Westlake, Florida to be affixed this 5<sup>th</sup> day of March 2024.

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JohnPaul O’Connor, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Zoie P. Burgess, CMC  
City Clerk